### GARRETT COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF PLANNING AND LAND MANAGEMENT

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June 26, 2015

John Braskey, Regional Administrator Department of Natural Resources Program Open Space 3 Pershing Street Cumberland, Maryland 21502

Re: Fiscal Year 2016 - Annual Program

Dear Mr. Braskey:

Enclosed is a copy of Garrett County's proposed Annual Program for Program Open Space, for fiscal year 2016. Please contact this office if you need additional information to process this request.

Sincerely

William J. DeVore

Program Administrator

Cc: Joseph Tassone Daniel Rosen

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## **PART 1) - INTRODUCTION**

Garrett County's Annual Program for Program Open Space (POS) proposes funding nine (9) separate Development projects for FY-2016. The funds are distributed among various projects throughout the County. Projects are planned for Accident, Bloomington, Avilton, Southern High School, Friendsville, Grantsville, Loch Lynn, Garrett College and Kitzmiller.

The FY-2016 Annual Program is designed toward achieving the Recreation Goals discussed in Chapter III of the County's 2012 Land Preservation, Parks and Recreation Plan. The goals include providing a wide range of recreation areas and facilities that are well distributed to serve the needs of local residents. The goals are to maximize the use of existing active recreation areas and emphasize provision of adequate facilities so that non-profit organizations can provide a wide range of recreation programs for persons of all ages, as discussed on page III-1 of the plan. A description of the FY-2016 Annual Program is as follows:

### PART 2) - Acquisition Projects - None

# PART 3) - Development Projects - Also see the attached form AP-21

- 1. The town of Accident is proposing to upgrade the baseball field at Town Park East, located within the town limits. The County Commissioners approved a total of \$9,000.00 in POS funding for the project. This site has previously received POS funding.
- 2. The County is proposing to make improvements at the community park in Bloomington. The County Commissioners approved a total of \$22,000.00 in POS funding for the project. The planned improvements will be used for a picnic tables and a walking track. This site has previously received POS funding.
- 3. The Avilton Community Association plans to continue to make improvements to the grounds at the Avilton Community Center, near Avilton. The Commissioners approved a total of \$11,820.00 in funding for a shed, roof

- guards and other amenities to the site. The association has previously received POS funding. The property is owned by the association.
- 4. The Garrett County Board of Education will make improvements to the existing softball field at Southern High School, in the town of Oakland. The Commissioners approved a total of \$27,510.00 in new funds for infield upgrades, backstop and field cover, dugouts, foul poles and fencing. The school has previously received POS funding. The property is owned by the Garrett County Board of Education.
- 5. The town of Friendsville is proposing to do engineering and design for an electrical upgrade at the town park amphitheater, located in the within the town limits. The County Commissioners approved a total of \$9,800.00 in POS funding for the project. This site has previously received POS funding.
- 6. The town of Grantsville is proposing to replace playground equipment at the town park, located within the town limits. The County Commissioners approved a total of \$15,343.00 in POS funding for the project. This site has previously received POS funding.
- 7. The town of Loch Lynn is proposing to make improvements at the town pavilion. The County Commissioners approved a total of \$5,456.00 in POS funding for the project. The planned improvements will be used for a replacing the roof on the pavilion. This site is located on property that is owned by the town. This site has previously received POS funding.
- 8. Garrett College will make improvements to the softball field at the school facility, near McHenry. The Commissioners approved a total of \$15,536.44 in new funds to install dugouts, a backstop and new drainage at the site. The school has previously received POS funding. The property is owned by the Garrett County Commissioners. This site has previously received POS funding.
- 9. The town of Kitzmiller is proposing to make improvements to the recreation facilities at the town park, located within the town limits. The County Commissioners approved a total of \$2,889.56 in POS funding for the ballfield, bleachers and backboards. This site has previously received POS funding.

These Projects are consistent with the State's twelve Planning Visions that address quality of life and sustainability, public participation, growth areas, community design, infrastructure, transportation, housing, economic development, environmental protection, resource conservation, stewardship and implementation approaches.

The projects concentrate development in suitable areas, direct growth to existing population centers, protect resource areas, protect sensitive areas, conserve and reduce the consumption of natural resources and encourage economic growth. The Development projects are in accordance with the State's Smart Growth Principles and the Garrett County 2012 Land Preservation, Parks and Recreation Plan.

# PROGRAM OPEN SPACE\_ ANNUAL PROGRAM FOR DEVELOPMENT – AP21 FISCAL YEAR 2016

Sponsor	Project Name, Project Description		Acreage		Source of Fi	unds for Anr	Source of Funds for Annual Program Only	Only
Town of	Town Park Fast— Unorade to the baseball field	Existing	Ultimate	Project	Total	Local	State (POS	Federal
		4.13	same	same	\$9,999.00	\$999.00	\$9,000.00	ľ
Garrett County	Bloomington Volunteer Fire Department-picnic tables and walking track	3.02	same	same	\$24,442.00	\$2,442.00	\$22,000.00	Ü
Garrett County	Avilton Community Association-upgrades to the roof, storage shed and other amenities	2.5	same	same	\$13,132.02	\$1,312.02	\$11,820.00	î
Garrett County	Garrett Co. Board of Education-upgrades to the softball field	43.33	same	same	\$30,563.61	\$3,053.61	\$27,510.00	1
Town of Friendsville	Friendsville Town Park- Engineering and design for electrical upgrades to the amphitheater	18.22	same	same	\$10,887.80	\$1,087.80	\$9,800.00	1
Town of Grantsville	Community Park –Playground equipment replacement	13.13	same	same	\$17,046.07	\$1,703.07	\$15,343.00	ť
Town of Loch Lynn	Loch Lynn Community Park -new roof for pavilion at playground	2.16	same	same	6,061.62	\$605.62	\$5,456.00	ĩ
Garrett County	Garrett College-improvements to softball field near Lions Park	31.73	same	same	17,260.98	\$1,724.54	\$15,536.44	,
Town of Kitzmiller	Community Park –improvements to the ball field, bleachers and backboards	7.0	same	same	3,210.30	\$320.74	\$2,889.56	i
							<b>Total</b> \$119,355.00	



















